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1. The militia of Rumania is subordinate to the Ministry of the Interior. Its headquarters is located in the former police headquarters on Calea Victoriei. The principal functions of the militia are to conduct investigations and to keep check on foreigners in the country. 25X1
2. Investigations are made by a group of seven to eight militiamen, some of whom are in uniform and some in civilian clothes. Investigations are usually carried out by the entire group of militiamen who use the tactics of rapid questioning which does not permit a complete answer to any question. The individual under investigation is subjected to an inhuman harangue, after which a statement is drawn up by one of the militiamen and the accused is forced to sign the statement regardless of the validity of its contents.
3. Since July-August 1954, visas for leaving the country are issued by the Foreigners Control Section, located in Room 223 on the second floor of the militia headquarters. Individuals requesting visas for departure from Rumania must check through an Information Office at the entrance to militia headquarters where he receives a pass to enter the building. He then receives application papers to be filled out in the waiting room. When handing in the papers applicants are questioned as to their reasons for wanting to leave the country and are discouraged from such action by the militia employees who describe life outside of Rumania as being extremely difficult. Lt. Ion Nicolae is in charge of the section, which is staffed by about 10 militia officers who have the rank of first and second lieutenants.
4. There is a militia headquarters for each district of the city, which contains the following sections:
 - a. Office of the Commanding Officer - The Commanding Officer is usually a captain or a major who is selected from the ranks of the Communist

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Party. Most of the time he wears civilian clothes.

- b. Economic Militia Section - The Commanding Officer of this section is usually a first lieutenant, assisted by one to two second lieutenants, and a few sergeants. They are concerned only with activities in the commercial field where they conduct investigations and cite to court those accused of irregularities against the communist law.
 - c. Control of Foreigners Section - This section is responsible for keeping records on all foreigners, issues extension visas, and grants permission to change the place of residence. The Commanding Officer of this section is a second lieutenant, assisted by two to three militiamen. The section also issues travel permits, but usually to only those who travel in line of duty. When applying for such a permit, the applicant must present a letter of justification from his employer. The permit is valid for no longer than three days. For longer periods, the applicant must go to the main militia headquarters, a procedure which takes about 30 days.
 - d. Evidence of Population Section - In each militia district there is a section which keeps a census of the population within its jurisdiction. This section issues travel permits to Rumanians who need to travel to frontier areas. For this, the applicant must attach two pictures to his request. The Commanding Officer of the section is a second lieutenant, assisted by two to three militiamen or women. This section is also responsible for the issuance of building cards (Cartea de Imobil) as well as permits for change of residence. The building card, which is considered to be secret is valid only for the person whose name is inscribed thereon. When an individual is hospitalized, the card is picked up by the militia and held until his return home.
 - e. Investigations Section - The Commanding Officer is a first or second lieutenant, assisted by several militiamen. Investigations are carried out in the districts in the same inhuman manner as in the main militia headquarters office.
 - f. Information Office - This office is located at the entrance to the militia district office. Its responsibility is to issue passes into the building.
 - g. Sector Runners - Sector runners are militiamen who are in charge of one to three streets. They collaborate with "block responsables" in order to get information concerning the inhabitants of each building. They conduct house checks to determine the movements of the inhabitants and to discover unauthorized over-night guests. The behavior of sector runners toward the population is very bad and they are disliked intensely.
5. The uniform of militia officers is gray-blue, with leather shoes or boots. The uniforms of militiamen are of the same color as the officers' uniforms, but are of a cheap coarse material. There are many women in the militia who are dressed as militia officers. Ranks are denoted by stars:

One star - second lieutenant
 Two stars - first lieutenant
 Three stars - major lieutenant
 Four stars - captain
 One star between two red stripes - major
 Two stars between two red stripes - lieutenant colonel

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